#### **ORDINANCE NO. 13-07**

# AN ORDINANCE BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTFIELD TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL JURISDICTION TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

**WHEREAS,** the City of Westfield ("City") is governed by its duly elected Mayor and Common Council ("Council") and is charged with the duties to maintain efficient and effective processes in the administration of services provided to the citizens of the City; and

**WHEREAS,** the City has created the Board of Public Works and Safety ("BPW") pursuant to Indiana law and wishes to utilize it as a quick and efficient means to address issues within that Board's expertise; and,

**WHEREAS,** IC 36-1-3-6 grants municipalities the power to operate and govern local affairs by adopting ordinances prescribing the specific manner in which said power is to be exercised:

# NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF WESTFIELD, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

#### Section 1.

That certain issues are presented to the Council such as appeals, reviews, and other relief many of which are more appropriate for the <u>jurisdiction</u> expertise of the BPW. These matters include but are not limited to:

- a) Appeals from fines related to illegal sanitary sewer discharges and discharges into the storm water sewer system.
- b) Requests for reductions of fees and fines imposed by the Westfield Code of Ordinances and allowed by such for reductions.
- c) Any fee, fine and/or charge for utility services ies owned by the City that as imposed are unfair, unjust, miscalculated and/or imposecreate an unintended hardship on a citizen of the City for which relief should be granted.
- d) Initiation and management and of fees related to any extraordinary costs associated with the storm water fees and management of the storm water system, including but not limited to repairs and special fees for areas creating an increased burden on the system.

#### Section 2.

That the BPW allows for a more efficient and effective management of the issues related to the above and as such, should and is now declared to be the proper entity to hear appeals and reviews outlined above and are hereby granted the authority to act in the best interests of the City and its citizens. The Director of Public Works is also authorized to present to the

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BPW those issues that are appropriate for relief and to prepare policies and procedures in furtherance of this Ordinance.

- <u>Section 3.</u> No charge, fee or potential fine or charge filed in the Noblesville City Court for resolution shall be eligible for relief under this Ordinance.
- This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect in accordance with Indiana law, upon the passage of any applicable waiting periods, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. All ordinances or parts thereof that are in conflict herewith are hereby ordered repealed. Any portion of this Ordinance later deemed invalid shall not operate to invalidate the remaining portions. All acts undertaken to establish this Ordinance and all prior acts undertaken to accomplish the intent of this Ordinance are hereby ratified.

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# ALL OF WHICH IS ORDAINED THIS \_\_\_\_\_DAY OF \_\_\_\_2013.

#### WESTFIELD CITY COUNCIL

<b>Voting For</b>	Voting Against	Abstain  Jim Ake	
Jim Ake	Jim Ake		
John Dippel	John Dippel	John Dippel	
Steven Hoover	Steven Hoover	Steven Hoover	
Robert L. Horkay	Robert L. Horkay	Robert L. Horkay	
Cindy Spoljaric	Cindy Spoljaric	Cindy Spoljaric	
Robert J. Smith	Robert J. Smith	Robert J. Smith	
Robert W. Stokes	Robert W. Stokes	Robert W. Stokes	
ATTEST:			
Cindy Gossard, Clerk Treasurer			

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I hereby certify	y that ORDINANCE	13-07 wa	s delivered	to the Mayor of We	estfield
on the	_ day of	, 20	013, at	m.	
Cindy Gossarc	l, Clerk-Treasurer				
I hereby APPF	ROVE ORDINANCE 13	3-07	I hereby V	ETO ORDINANCE 1	3-07
this da	ny of	, 2013.	this	_ day of	, 2013
J. Andrew Cook, Mayor			J. Andrew Cook, Mayor		
ATTEST:					
Cindy Gossard	d, Clerk Treasurer				

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